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Lawrence Norden is Deputy Director of the Brennan Center's Democracy Program. In his capacity as director of the Brennan Center's Voting Technology Project, Mr. Norden has authored several nationally recognized reports and articles related to voting rights, voting systems and election administration.

In April 2009, Mr. Norden completed his duties as Chair of the Ohio Secretary of State's bipartisan Election Summit and Conference, authoring a report to Secretary Brunner for the purpose of improving Ohio's election administration practices and laws. Most of the report's recommendations were incorporated into the Election Enhancements Bill, which has passed the Ohio House and is currently before the State Senate. Mr. Norden was the Keynote Speaker at the Sixth Annual Votobit International Conference on Electronic Voting (Buenos Aires, 2008), and the 2009 Electronic Voting Technology Workshop/Workshop on Trustworthy Elections (Montreal, 2009). In June 2009, he received the Usability Professional Association's Usability In Civic Life Award for his "pioneering work to improve elections." Mr. Norden is the lead author of the book The Machinery of Democracy: Protecting Elections in an Electronic World (Academy Chicago Press) and a contributor to the Encyclopedia of American Civil Liberties (Routledge 2007).

In addition to his voting work, Mr. Norden has authored numerous articles and reports detailing the need to reform New York State's legislative process. He manages and writes for the Brennan Center's blog on New York State, ReformNY. Mr. Norden is an Adjunct Professor at the NYU School of Law, where he teaches the Brennan Center Public Policy Advocacy Clinic.